June 2011 301-773-8360



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

by Mayor Mike Callahan

Call 301-773-0248 to contact the Mayor. The Mayor's door at the Community Center is open to visitors on **Monday** evenings from 7:30 to 9:30 PM, except holidays or if otherwise posted.

2011-2012 MAYOR & TOWN COUNCIL



David Thorpe Ward 4, Caroline Cook Ward 6, Laila Riazi Ward 1, Mayor Mike Callahan, Mary Jane Coolen Ward 2 & RJ Eldridge Ward 3.

PUBLIC HEARING SPEED HUMP REQUEST - 2600 BLK CREST AVE

June 9th Town Meeting 8 PM, Community Center.

New Town Council Meets on May 12th: New

Council Members Mary Jane Coolen (Ward 2), David Thorpe (Ward 4) and Carolyn Cook (Ward 6) together with current Council Members Laila Riazi (Ward 1) and RJ Eldridge (Ward 3) were sworn in at the May 12th Town Council meeting and begin their two year term of office. While we will miss our departing Council members, I am truly excited about our new team and the skills and experience they bring to the job.

I'd like to thank everyone who came to the town meeting to toast both our new and old council members. Special thanks to County Executive Rushern Baker, State Senator Victor Ramirez, State Delegates Jolene Ivey and Michael Summers, and County Councilwoman Mary Lehman. Our sympathies go out County Councilwoman Andrea Harrison who was unable to attend because her mother passed away prior to the meeting.

Town Budget 2011 / 2012: Not much has

changed since last month's newsletter so I encourage you to re-read last edition. I have been fond of saying "it's all about the fund balance and the tax rate". Cheverly has a history of sound financial management and as a result will finish the 2010 Financial Year with a minimum fund balance of 1.576M. Think of the Fund Balance as the amount of money you have in your checking account. You need to keep enough to pay your bills and have some extra in case of an emergency or opportunity. In the case of municipalities; experts state that we need a minimum of 20 to 25 % of our operating budget (about \$800,000) to ensure we can cover one quarter of a years expenses.

Mayor FYI cont'd

We have also built up the fund balance to hedge against rising expenses and to be prepared if an emergency or an opportunity arises. We are comfortable with 1.576M but I have aspirations of building the fund balance to 2M so we are prepared for opportunities.

Regarding the Tax Rate, Cheverly has maintained the tax rate at .48 per hundred dollars of assessed value since 2007. We do not anticipate raising property taxes this year, and given our financial position I don't see us doing so next year either. However, the town revenues from property taxes will increase slightly this year because overall property values in town have risen in spite of the economy. Our current projections for 2012 result in a deficit of \$250,000, which would reduce the fund balance to 1.326M. Again this is a very conservative view of the budget. If we receive the same income tax revenues as we did in 2009, in both 2010 & 2011, our projected fund balance would increase by \$200,000 to 1.536M.

During 2012 we will be saving money for a new dump truck (\$85,000), paving 63rd Avenue (\$100,000), providing our staff with a 2% raise, restoring our tree canopy and following WSSC around fixing our roadways.

The 2012 budget will be approved in our June 9th Town Meeting and everyone is welcome to attend and comment. A copy of the budget can be viewed at Town Hall and a 5 year summary can be found on the town's website.

Cheverly Terrace / Hanson Arms Apart-

ments Purchased: We have just learned that Foulger-Pratt recently purchased the Cheverly Terrace and Hanson Arms Apartment complexes. The Town Administrator, Police Chief, Public Works Director and I have already met with them and are encouraged by their plans for improvements. Improvements to the exterior will begin soon with upgrades to landscaping, balconies, sliders, drainage, security access, and new common areas and the pools. The new owners also expect to upgrade interiors over a longer period of time with upgrades focused on kitchens & bathrooms. Fougler-Pratt expect to complete approximately 50% of the interior upgrades within the first year. The Town leadership is excited about the changes and expects to have an increased partnership with the new owners. We also hope that this new investment will help the owner of the Kentucky Fried Chicken building find a tenant quickly. The Town Administrator has already begun working with the property owner by putting him in touch with Fougler-Pratt and the Michel's Company to assist in the search for a new client.

Aldi / Landover Shopping Center: The newsletter has gone to print prior to the May 26th work session, where the Town Council will meet with representatives of Aldi and The Michel Company regarding changes to the

Route 202 shopping center. I would like to mention the excellent work being done by the 47th State Delegation (Senator Ramirez, Delegates, Ivey, Niemann, and Summers) who are working together to see if state regulations can be changed in a manner that would allow Aldi to accept Women, Infant and Child (WIC) certificates.

Everywhere a Sign: On a recent trip to the Route 214 Home Depot I was amazed at the number of street signs and posters pasted on poles advertising car towing, rug cleaning and a host of other services. These signs are illegal in public rights of way. Have you ever noticed that Cheverly is free of these signs? That is due to the efforts of our Town Administrator and Public Works & Police Departments that keep our roadways clear. However, this effort takes time. Imagine how long it takes to remove the posters that are glued onto metallic surfaces.

Recently, the Town Administrator stepped up his efforts. We have begun calling these vendors and requesting their services. When they arrive, they get a ticket for illegally posting their signs. The penalty is fifty dollars for each sign posted in our town. One vendor who had seven signs posted received a fine of \$350. Congratulations to the Town Administrator, Police Chief and Public Works Director for this innovative program that keeps our town clean.

Paint the Town: As mentioned here previously the town Code Enforcement Officer cited a number of properties during the month of February for "peeling paint". In an effort to ensure that residents had enough time to plan and execute the painting of their property, the deadline on these citations was extended from the standard 30 days to June 1st. Given the difficult weather conditions this spring we have agreed to delay issuing fines for these citations until June 20th. However, please be aware this will be the last extension.

Code Enforcement - Have you seen my

neighbor's lawn? Every spring the Town deals with this question. The weather warms, the rains are plentiful and the grass grows quickly. Before we know it, lawns exceed the eight inch limit and frustration rises about the town's response. Please understand that the citation process takes time, so expecting an immediate response is unrealistic. Once the Code Enforcement officer issues a citation for grass exceeding the eight inch limit, the resident has 10 days to address the issue. If the issue is not addressed, the town then hires a lawn service to address the issue. Unfortunately this timetable allows the grass to far exceed the eight inch limit. Please understand that when you see unsightly grass the process is already underway. If the resident does not address the issue, the town will do so at the expense of the homeowner, even if the home is vacant..

Bike Riders -- Please wear your helmet:

Recently the mother of former resident Natasha Pettigrew stopped by my office to mention how people she noticed in town, especially children, who are not wearing their helmets. Natasha was struck by a vehicle while riding her bike and passed away, even though she had her helmet on. I too experienced a bicycle accident at high speed, and feel strongly that my helmet saved me from serious injury. So for all of you skateboarders and bike riders please wear your helmets. Remember it is the State Law!!

Pepco Update: As Pepco continues its work throughout Cheverly, we continue to struggle with the need for reliability versus the health of our tree canopy. In an effort not to be repetitive I ask that you read previous newsletters (they can be found on line at www.cheverly-md.gov).

We have been informed that Pepco is going to double the amount of new electrical wire and telephone poles being replaced throughout town. We are thrilled to see Pepco upgrade our aging infrastructure, and we have high expectations these upgrades will improve reliability throughout town. We have requested that Pepco provide a greater level of statistical reporting so that we can ensure reliability is indeed improving.

Worried about our Tree Canopy? In the April work session, the Green Infrastructure committee highlighted that our tree canopy continues to shrink. The

April work session, the Green Infrastructure committee highlighted that our tree canopy continues to shrink. The Tree Commission made this same observation four years ago. The town council is focused on this issue and continues to plant trees in public parks and along streets. This year the Town also worked with the Gladys Noon Spellman School to plant trees along 63rd Ave and the Cheverly United Methodist Church to plant trees along Parkway. However, the town can only do so much. We need YOU! Did you know that the Town will plant an appropriately sized tree (of your choosing) in either your front or back yard? Did you know that a well placed tree can reduce your cooling bills in the summer? Did you know that our trees are a major reason why buyers choose to purchase homes in Cheverly?

Planting season is now over, but please consider requesting a tree for the fall planting season. Forms can be found on the Town Website: http://www.cheverly-md.gov/
Pages/CheverlyMD PubWorks/Tree%20Agreement.pdf

Residents request grants, make a differ-

ence: During the April work session Doug Alexander and Nathan McElroy received grants from the town. Nathan, on behalf of the Tree Commission (and many other organizations) requested \$1,000 to be matched by Pepco for the installation of a garden bordering the Tennis Courts in Town Park. Hopefully you had the opportunity to see the new garden during Cheverly Day, if not please stop by. We hope it is the first of many efforts to enhance Town Park.

Doug Alexander received a grant of \$1,250, which was matched by Progressive Cheverly and his own non-profit organization NIE, for the purpose of distributing composting bins to town residents at a reduced price. Doug estimates that the town can save \$56,000 dollars over a 10-year period by distributing 400 bins throughout town. The project has taken off, as the first two orders totaling 70 bins have completely sold out and the first composting class was standing room only with over 40 people in attendance.

Thanks to both of these residents who are making a difference in our town.

Tickets for Parking too close to an inter-

section: At a recent work session the Mayor and Council were asked to step up enforcements of illegal parking that occurs near St. Ambrose Church. Of particular concern were the intersections of Jason & 63rd Ave. as well as Josyln and 63rd. Illegal parking within 25' of the intersection causes dangerous situations for both pedestrians and cars attempting to navigate the area. Beginning in June citations will be issued for cars that are parked within 25' of the intersection

Cheverly Blood Drive—July 2nd -Your

Help Needed - Please consider helping a lot by giving up a little time and a little blood on July 2 at the blood drive sponsored by the Men's Club of St. Ambrose. Club members will be signing up donors at community markets in June. An on-line sign-up option is also available. To sign up online: Go to www.donatebloodmedstar.org Select the donate tab, enter sponsor code 50333, select search

Select St. Ambrose link, scroll down to see appointment times

Choose time and select SCHEDULE

Box appears, select OK

At log-in/registration page, scroll to bottom, select "I am a New MedStar Health donor-make appointment now."

This year's drive is being done in coordination with Med-Star and there is an emphasis on minimizing wait times

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Message from the Chief Buddy Robshaw (policechief@cheverly-md.gov)

RESIDENTS DO MAKE THE DIFFERENCE

- For years now I have been touting the importance of community partnerships between residents and their police and how this association

goes a long way towards making Cheverly safer! You must remember 48 and 18 (48 arrests, 18 for felonies) for the Cheverly Watch Resident Radio Club in 2010, L.E.W.D. (Lock Every Window and Door), C-PACT (Cheverly – Police and Citizens Together), and any of the other successful partnership ventures, were put in place to ultimately reduce or deter crime. What makes these associations so special, however, are the individual residents who participate. Another example came to light recently that adds brilliance to this partnership concept. On or about May 17, 2011, a resident became aware of a certain juvenile acting suspiciously. The resident promptly called the police and officers responded quickly. What transpired from that initial stop of this juvenile was the closure of at least 8 Town burglaries, several more outside the Town, and the recovery of property and evidence of these crimes. Much like of the closure of that B&E string last year, one simple call from a concerned resident resulted in the closure of multiple cases and the incarceration of the offender. I would like to publicly acknowledge this concerned and observant resident (albeit unnamed because of the impending criminal trial) for a job well done, an acknowledgement that once again shows the strength of Cheverly's crime reduction and deterrence efforts lie with the power of community partnerships.

C-PACT/CHEVERLY WATCH RESIDENT RADIO PROGRAM MEETING – There will be a joint meeting of C-PACT (Cheverly – Citizens and Police Together), Cheverly's Neighborhood Watch Organization, and the Cheverly Watch Resident Radio Program on Tuesday, June 7, 2011, at 7:00 PM, in the Police Department Conference Room.

PARKING ISSUES AND THE LAW – The Cheverly Police Department operates under and enforces a number of inter-related state and county laws as well as the dictates of the Town Code. Regarding parking in the Town, all three sources of law are quite similar and only the corresponding manner of enforcement and fines are different. Please be aware of the following violations regarding parking in the Town. It is illegal for any person to park a vehicle in the Town of Cheverly:

- 1. That blocks the flow of traffic on any street;
- 2. Is parked to obstruct a driveway, alley, sidewalk, fire lane, or intersection;
- 3. Has not been moved in the public right-of-way for over 72 consecutive hours;

- 4. Has an outstanding parking ticket over 30 days old;
- 5. Is inoperable, abandoned, or unregistered (expired tags) on public or private property;
- 6. Any dual-wheeled vehicle in a R-55 zone;
- 7.Any commercial vehicle without a permit between 7:00 PM and 7:00 AM;
- 8. In violation of any "No Parking"/restricted parking sign;
- 9. In a fire lane;
- 10. In a marked handicap parking space;
- 11. Within 15 feet of a fire hydrant;
- 12. Within 15 feet of a bus stop marked by a sign; or
- 13. Within 25 of an intersection's curb lines.

Most violations result in a \$50.00 fine, however, fire land and handicap parking violations are \$200.00 each.

IMPORTANT POLICE TELEPHONE NUMBERS – Police Emergency 9-1-1 Nonemergency Calls for Dispatch (301) 333-4000 **Cheverly Police** (301) 341-1055 **Cheverly Police Facsimile** (301) 341-0176 **Cheverly Photo Enforcement** (240) 770-7641 P. G. Towing (Towing Vendor) (301) 220-1170 **Cheverly Investigators** (301) 789-5090 (301) 789-8551 (301) 852-8457 **Cheverly Traffic Officer** (301) 789-7743

WE NEED YOUR VEHICLE DONATIONS – I want to thank all of you who responded to my recent requests for vehicles. As always, all donated cars and trucks are towed for free and those that are not in good condition are scrapped and the scrap money added to the Department's equipment account. The Department is still looking to convert some of our donated vehicles to surveillance uses. Please keep us in mind if you want to donate a used vehicle or if you just wanted to get rid of a vehicle that is passed its prime.

Crime Report March 2011 (All Addresses Are in Hundred Blocks)

Total Arrests for the Month: 45 Total Traffic for the Month: 0553

Total Crime (Difference, YTD 2010-2011): 4%

03-01-11	1850 Hrs	2800 Cheverly Ave	Assault
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03-02-11	1530 Hrs	6300 Landover Rd	Vandalism
03-03-11	1731 Hrs	6300 Landover Rd	Theft
03-03-11	1833 Hrs	6300 Landover Rd	Theft
03-07-11	1330 Hrs	3100 Parkway	Theft
03-10-11	0928 Hrs	6300 Landover Rd	Vandalism
03-10-11	0700 Hrs	5700 Euclid St	Auto Stolen
03-12-11	1600 Hrs	6200 Kilmer St	Vandalism
03-14-11	0918 Hrs	5600 Landover Rd	Auto Stolen

03-15-11	0200 Hrs	6100 Arbor St	Auto Stolen
03-15-11	0926 Hrs	3400 Cheverly Ave	B&E Residnt
03-15-11	1154 Hrs	2300 Craftsman Cr	B&E (Arrest)
03-15-11	1825 Hrs	6300 Landover Rd	Robry Citizen
03-16-11	0803 Hrs	6500 Kilmer St	Theft
03-16-11	1143 Hrs	6300 Landover Rd	Theft
03-19-11	2255 Hrs	5800 Annapolis Rd	Theft
03-23-11	0720 Hrs	2300 Crestlawn Ave	Auto Stolen
03-23-11	1210 Hrs	6500 Landover Rd	Theft
03-24-11	0520 Hrs	2300 Craftsman Cr	B&E (Arrest)
03-24-11	0809 Hrs	2400 Lake Ave	Auto Stolen
03-27-11	1406 Hrs	2800 Laurel Ave	Assault
03-29-11	0935 Hrs	6300 63 rd Pl	Theft
03-30-11	1715 Hrs	3000 Laurel Ave	B&E Residnt

RESIDENTIAL BUSINESS LICENSES

If you are currently operating a business out of your home, you are required to obtain a **Town Residential Business License**.

Home occupations are under (Chapter 9-of Town Code) and (subtitle 27-of the Prince George's County Code) and do not include any retail business or trade, etc.

Town Residential Business Licenses are issued annually for the Fiscal Year (July 1 to June 30). Please call the Town Clerk at 301-773-8360 or stop by the Town Office to pick up an application form. *The yearly business license fee is* \$20.

CHEVERLY RENTAL LICENSES

All single-family, multi-family, and roomer rental dwellings in Cheverly are required by Chapter 5 of the Town Code to obtain a **Cheverly Rental Housing License.** Licenses are issued annually for the Fiscal Year (July 1 to June 30). Call the Code Enforcement Office at 301-341-1055 for an application. *The yearly rental license fee is* \$40.

NOTE: Failure to comply with Town Code licensing laws can result in a fine.

Meeting Agendas are updated on the website: Cheverly cable Channel 71 and www.cheverly-md.gov

Town Meetings broadcast LIVE on Cable 71 & Fios 35. Rebroadcast every day at Noon, 6 PM and 10 PM.

ACTIONS TAKEN

Votes were unanimous unless otherwise noted.

Town Meeting - May 12, 2011

□ No Motions

TENTATIVE AGENDAS

Town Meeting—June 9, 2011	Town N	Jeeting —	-June	9.	2011	
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- □ Public Hearing—Speed Hump Request 2600 Crest
- □ Public Hearing—Constant Yield Tax Rate
- ☐ Adoption Charter Resolution CA-1-11 Amending the Election Section
- ☐ Second reading O-5-11 Amending the Sign Ordinance
- ☐ Adoption FY12 Budget and Capital Improvement Program.

Worksession - June 23, 2011

☐ Evaluation of Department Heads

















PARADE AWARDS

ENTERTAINMENT:

1st Place—Bladensburg High Drama

2nd Place—St. Ambrose Bees

3rd Place—Judith Hoyer Montessori

FLOATS

1st Place—Friends of Lower Beaverdam Crk

2nd Place—Emerald Tree Service

3rd Place—Cub Scout Troop

JUDGES AWARDS

1st Place—DC Different Drummers

2nd Place—Greenbelt Dog Parade

3rd Place—Weekday Nursery

Cheverly RECREATION COUNCIL - No meeting in June.

Cheverly RECREATION COUNCI is proud

to sponsor the *John Dent Wilson College Scholarship*. This is a \$500 scholarship awarded to a Cheverly Resident who is enrolled full-time in an academic or vocational post-secondary education program for the 2011-2012 academic year. For information call Judy Deleonibus 301-386-4251 or judydeleon@aol.com



Red Services

VACATIONS & HOME SECURITY:

Residents planning to be away for vacations should call the Cheverly Police (301-341-1055) to arrange to have their homes checked while they are gone.

The following items should also be checked to make sure your residence is safe and looks as much as possible like someone is there:

- Cancel newspaper & mail delivery or have a neighbor pick it up for you.
- Arrange for lawn care.
- Valuables should be stored, preferably in a bank.
- Store lawn mowers, bicycles, and lawn furniture inside.
- Lights inside the house should be set on a timer.
- Set telephone bells as low as possible.
- Shades and drapes should be drawn.
- Cars left in the driveway should be locked.
- Make sure smoke detectors are working.
- All windows and doors should be locked.
- Give your house key & itinerary to at least one friend or neighbor.

Need help with YARD WORK? To assist our elderly, and other residents who need help with yard work, Cheverly maintains this list of teenagers who are interested in being hired for cutting grass, raking leaves, shoveling snow, etc.

Xavier Pinkney	240-478-4622
Dorian Dixon	301-322-1075
Max & Jake Allegra	301-322-4952
James Porcari	301-341-2471
Xavier Milam	301-583-1028
Emmanuel Mitchell	301-773-6863
John Pooley	301-537-6819
Andrew Teel	301-386-0049
Ben Hartmann	301-772-6596
Byron Bamigbade	301-583-1028
Andrew & Ashley Priest	301-772-6028
Malik & Tyreq McAdoo	240-463-6152
James Kernan	301-772-6553
Jack Alkire	301-772-0110
Nicholas Lal	301-773-0635

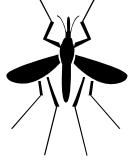
Cheverly teenagers can call the town office at 773-8360 if they wish to add their names to this list.

NEWS FROM THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE MOSQUITO CONTROL SECTION -

The Town is scheduled for random mosquito spraying again this year. Spraying for adult mosquitoes will be

based strictly on results from standardized surveillance methods. It is your responsibility to notify the Public Works Department of any mosquito swarming. Please note the time of day and location. If we do

not receive complaints, we may not receive the surveillance. Please help us deal with the mosquito problem.



Tight fitting lids

Have you ever sat down in front of your computer or grabbed the actual printed book to read some of the ordinances found in the Town's code? Yes? No? Have better things to read that will put you to sleep? I fully understand your predicament; nevertheless, these regulations do help us all live responsibly to each other within our community. These ordinances are designed to safeguard the lives of our residents, visitors, guests, their health, the value of our community's real estate and how we are viewed and valued in Prince Georges County, the State and even the Nation. These ordinances are essential and not arbitrary and they effectively and without a doubt bring harmony and value to our community. An example of such ordinances read:

Sec. 10-6. Garbage and trash receptacles and collection generally. In addition to recycling bins and other receptacles containing recyclables each residence shall maintain a suitable metal or plastic container that is intact and without holes, not to exceed thirty-two (32) gallons' capacity covered with a tight-fitting in-

<u>tact lid...</u> If these bins, recyclables, and containers are kept on the outside of the building at any other times, they should be placed to the rear of the front building line and in the case of trash containers kept covered with a tight-fitting intact lid.

Purposively "**tight fitting intact lid**" has a larger font in this article. You see quite often this fact goes unnoticed by many residents. Yet this is a significant individual and community rodent prevention piece in which everyone can participate. With a tight fitting lid we lend a hand to ourselves and others in the control of rodents, and other similar disease carrying animals from our community.

Tight fitting lids on refuse containers prevent varmints from finding a food source in your back yard and our community. **Tight fitting lids**, besides being the law of the Town can help us prevent birds from spilling refuse all over the Town's sidewalks, alleys, parks, and roads.

Please look at your refuse containers today and ensure that they never look like this:



Let us all do our part to keep and maintain our Town Clean

Community Bulletin Board

Cheverly Working Moms - Sunday morning playgroup will be June 12th in the Cheverly Town Center from 9:30-11:00 am. We will be going to Chevy's in Greenbelt again for mothers night out on June 17th, 7pm. Please join us! For more information please go to http://groups.yahoo.com/group/CheverlyWorkingMoms/

Cheverly United Methodist Church

Our Summer Hours will begin on June 5th. 10:00 a.m. One Worship Service Children's Church Included in Worship Service

Multigenerational, Whole Family VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL KINGDOM OF THE SON - A Prayer Safari JULY 25 – 29, 2011 - 5:30 – 7:30 P.M

Early Registration Opened May 1st Regular Registration begins June 15th For more information contact Cate: 301 509 5137 Or VBS@CheverlyUMC.org A light supper will be provided each night

School's Out for Summer!

All high school students (rising 9th graders-current seniors) are invited to an afternoon of activities and sports hosted by St. Ambrose Catholic Church and Cheverly United Methodist Church! The event will be held on June 18th, 1:00-5:00pm, at St. Ambrose 3107 63rd Avenue, Cheverly, MD. Please join us, invite your friends, and be prepared to have a great afternoon!

Open House/Reception @ Cheverly United Methodist Church - Sunday, June 12, 2011 @3:00-5:00 pm Come & see the results of the improvements to the windows already made using the grant monies received last year from the PG Cnty Historic Preservation Commission, along with the many contributions from our church family, constituents and friends in the community. We will have special guests from the county and town historic preservation communities as we explain & celebrate our second historic preservation grant from the county & give tours of the building and grounds (including the bio retention gardens that treat the runoff from our parking lot).

The Midway Thanks You... A wonderful and successful Cheverly Day! Thank you to all who did your fair weather chants and successfully warded away the rain for the parade, the day's festivities and for the most part of the fireworks! I was happy to see that even a downpour did not dampen the spirits of the people of Cheverly who all hung in there to the very end!

Our 2011 Midway was as always another good time for young and old. It takes a lot of people to keep it running successfully so I want to say thank you to all of the 30 plus kids and adults who helped out running the games and selling tickets. Special thanks to Andrea Cerulli, Peggy Callahan, Jenn Allegro, and to Deanna Moran, Barbara Scully Liston, Ida Chan, Patty King, and Maureen Dwyer for answering the last minute call and coming out (isn't our Cheverly Exchange great!!) and to Myra Cushman for anchoring our ticket crew. And to those who manned the games, the girls from Senior troop 3072, AnnMarie, Alex, Bailey, Ann, Kaleena, Kat, Vanessa and their friends who came to help, to Rob and Tammie, to workers Kimberly, Bella, Caitlyn, Jeran, Sami, Gabi, Korine, Kaitlynn, Elise, and Alexia—I hope you had as much fun as the players! Thank you to the "Midway" Carting Committee" and thanks again to Mike Plepke for letting us store our stuff for yet another year! It couldn't have happened without all of you! Kathryn and Laila, the book is a coffee table keeper! Another memorable Prom, thanks ChevProm committee! Fabulous parade, Kudos to Mike Callahan and all the participants! It was a good day! Thank you team Nick & Kristy, for choreographing it all. Pat Nelson

The **Cheverly Garden Club** thanks everyone who helped to make our May plant sale a huge success. Thank you, thank you, THANK YOU!!

On June 20th, the Club continues its annual "Flowers for Shut-Ins" service project, delivering a bit of horticultural cheer to our homebound community members. If you would like to nominate a Cheverly neighbor to receive one of our flower arrangements, please contact Michael Giese, club president, at 301-773-7318 or mg9588a@msn.com, or Tom Foley, at 301-773-6894, with the name, address, and a contact phone number. Someone must be at home on June 20th to receive the arrangement. While gardening (and watering) certainly continues through the heat of the summer, the Garden Club takes a "vacation" for July and August. Our next regular meeting is September 19th. Have a great summer!

Community Bulletin Board

Compost Bin Project

SoilSaver compost bins are available to Cheverly residents for only \$20 (reg. price up to \$99.98 at Amazon & other locations). A \$20 rebate program is also available if you prefer to purchase a bin from a retail outlet. Information on how and what to compost is provided.

Bins will be on sale at the Cheverly Community Market or by contacting Doug Alexander at 301-773-2082 or dalexander@nieinstitute.org. For the rebate, scan and email the receipt (must be dated after June 1, 2011) or mail the original to: Doug Alexander, 3127 63rd Place, Cheverly, MD 20785. Provide your full contact information including address. The low price has been made possible by grants from the Chesapeake Bay Trust (through the Green Infrastructure Plan Committee grant), the NIE Institute, and the Town of Cheverly. Friends of Lower Beaverdam Creek (FLBC) is administering the grants and the Environmental Committee of Progressive Cheverly is implementing the program.

This is a comprehensive plan to encourage all residents to compost food scraps, waste paper like paper towels, napkins and tissue, and other compost-able materials to reduce Town tipping fees and improve overall waste management. Of course, you'll also produce great compost to amend your garden, bushes and lawn. Our goal is to place 400 bins over 3-years that will save the Town over \$56,000 in tipping fees over the next 10-years.

DON'T PUT FOOD DOWN THE DISPOSAL: Putting food scraps down your garbage disposal is the worst way to get rid of them. It takes more energy and cost more to clean wastewater when food scraps are in it. The water must first be filtered before the water is cleaned and all that food waste still ends up in the landfill. Compost vegetable food scraps, coffee grounds, eggshells, etc. and trash the meat, dairy, oils, and greasy materials.

Cheverly Green Plan Monthly Meeting -

Monday, June 6, 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. Cheverly Community Center. Focus on finalizing recommendations for the Green Plan and next steps for production of the summary document. For more information visit the Green Plan website at http://sites.google.com/site/cheverlygreenplan/.

CHV Prom 2011 CHV Prom 2011 was a night of great music, lots of dancing, delicious food, and most importantly, a time to celebrate Cheverly with our neighbors. This successful evening couldn't have happened without many people in the community coming together, and volunteering their time and expetise! Thank you to the CHV Prom Committee, Town Staff, Mayor and Council, The New Romanos (music), Kathryn Andrews (graphic design), Susan and Joseph Pruden (photo booth), Peggy and Mike Callahan (ticket takers), Bobbie's Cakes (cake), and to everyone who assisted with set-up and clean-up. Thank you to several families in town who contributed to defray prom expenses; Glen Barton and Loy Hayes, The Olivo Family, The Tevault Family, Angela Boone and Dawn Daggett, and The Eldridge Family. Thank you to area businesses who donated fantastic door prizes; Three Brothers, Folger Theatre, Cheverly Swim and Racquet Club, CDD Photography, Franklin's, Artisphere, and Mama's Kitchen Sink Sweets. We are already looking forward to another fun and successful prom next year!

Friends of Lowere Beaverdam Creek -

Your friendly local environmental group would love to have you join us at our June monthly work party on Saturday, June 25 between 9 am and noon. We (Friends of Lower Beaverdam Creek) will meet at the Arbor Street entrance to the trail this month, but, if you forget, there will be someone at the usual meeting place at the entrance to Woodworth Park (at the corner of Cheverly Park Drive and Wayne Place) to direct you to the nearby Arbor Street entrance. The Arbor Street entrance is also easy to get to--From the Cheverly 7-11 store, go down Cheverly Ave. and make your first right onto Arbor Street. Go two blocks to the end of Arbor Street, and the entrance to the trail is on your right. Bring a wheelbarrow, if you can, because we will be spreading woodchips on the part of the trail that goes from the Arbor Street entrance to Cheverly Ave near the 7-11 store. We will also be removing invasives from the woods. Gloves, water, snacks, etc. are provided. All ages are welcome, and community service hours are provided. Call Joani Horchler at 301-322-2620 (or cell 301-802-7445) for more information. If possible, please let us know ahead of time if you can make it.

Community Bulletin Board

Cheverly Community Market - June will begin in an exciting fashion at the Cheverly Community Market. As our new logo promotes, we encourage our patrons to: Eat Well, Live Well and Celebrate Community. What better place than the market on a Saturday Morning!

The June 4th Market celebrates **Wine Week**. Elk Run Vineyards will be on hand with their popular varieties of Maryland wine. Perhaps, they'll bring along their special Sangria blend for sampling.

The Cheverly Community Market is the first Farmers Market in the state of Maryland to feature wine at its markets. On June 18, Running Hare Vineyard will be present with its fine selections of Maryland wine from their vineyards.

Many of our regular vendors will be back as well as some exciting additions. Check the market webpage, (cheverlycommunitymarket.com) or like us on Facebook (Cheverly Community Market) for frequent updates. This year we are pleased to be accepting WIC and FNMP vouchers for our beautiful Veggies.

Don't forget Fathers Day! Throughout June we will be selling the cookbook, *Dishing up Maryland*, with recipes to make any Grill King happy and challenged. We will continue to have our Logo Bags on sale to let the rest of the area know about our great market.

So come, enjoy a beverage, baked goodie and our own musical favorite, *The Hot Noodles* ☐ See you at the Market.

Progressive Cheverly welcomes Angela

Alsobrooks, State's Attorney for Prince George's County, as the featured speaker at a Community Forum on Thursday, **June 2, at 7 pm**. Ms. Alsobrooks will speak about the priorities of her office, the opportunities and challenges she has encountered since she became State's Attorney, and how she views citizen involvement in the solutions to the problems communities are facing. There will be time for Q&A. After the Forum, Progressive Cheverly will conduct its regular membership and business meeting. Location: Cheverly Montessori School, 2300 Belleview Avenue. All are invited and encouraged to attend. For more information about Progressive Cheverly, visit www.progressivecheverly.org or write chair@progressivecheverly.org.

Cheverly Advocates for Public Schools

Congratulations to all the newly elected 2011-2012 PTA officers at Gladys Noon Spellman Elementary: President - Aimee Olivo, Vice President 1 - Jen Eldridge, Vice President 2 - Tonya Parker-Yates, Treasurer - Bambi Harmon, Secretary - Caroline Bridgers.

Robert Goddard French Immersion School is hosting a French-themed Fun Fair on Saturday, June 4, from 8am-4pm at the school, 9850 Good Luck Road, Lanham. Admission is free but all activities (moon bounce, games, etc.) require purchase of tickets. There will be a bake sale, blood drive, flea market, book sale and other vendors as well. Join them to support the many Cheverly students at RGFIS or to learn more about the school!

WOMAN'S CLUB

The Woman's Club thanks everyone, individuals / groups / organizations, who participated in Peace Month. Each year our family says "Those were the best fireworks ever" and they usually truly are. Well, this year, the 4th annual Peace Month was the best ever. More people took part and seeds of peace spread and grew deeper. We look forward to next year.

Our next program is quickly approaching. <u>Little Friends</u> <u>for Peace</u> (MJ & Jerry Park) is preparing to conduct a 2nd Children's Peace Camp for campers ages 4-11. The camp is being held from Monday, - July 25 until Friday, July 29, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the American Legion Post □108 on Cheverly Avenue. More information is at <u>www.lffp.org</u>.

We are asking for donations so that our goal of being inclusive, for children who's families may not be able to pay tuition can attend, can be achieved. A full scholarship is \$140 and we're appreciative of any portion of that you choose to contribute. Please send donations to Joyce Lang, 6424 Forest Rd., Cheverly, MD 20785.

The Cheverly History Club - will meet on Tue, June 7th at 7:30PM in the community center. We will be discussing the recent reception at historical Mt. Lubentia in Landover and making plans for future field trips. Everyone interested in Cheverly's history are welcome to attend the meeting.

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Meetings & Events

Thurs June 9
Thurs June 23
Mon July 4

8:00 PM TOWN MEETING
7:30 PM WORKSESSION
INDEPENDENCE DAY
(Offices closed)

CHEVERLY WEBSITE—cheverly-md.gov

You can easily contact the Mayor and Council through their town email accounts. There are also links at the Mayor and Council page of the website.

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TRASH COLLECTION SCHEDULE

MON Town Wide
MON East side
TUE West side
WED Town wide
THU East side
FRI West side
Regular Garbage Pickup only
RECYCLING (blue or yellow bins)
Garbage & SPECIAL TRASH (at curb)
Residents should place trash at the curb after 7100 PM the day

before pickup. Trash must be placed in cans with tight fitting lids to ward off rodents

BAMBOO is picked up with Thurs Fri Special Trash (cut into 4' lengths, tied and bundled)

ELECTRONICS - are picked up on Wednesday with recycling. TV's any size, computers (remove hard drive), monitors, keyboards etc. (place next to recycle bucket).

APPLIANCES - Washers dryers stoves dishwashers refrigerator freezers (remove doors) microwaves (any size) alc units (any size) - 20 for removal contact Public Works 301-773-2666.

HOLIDAYS? Public Works crews DO NOT work on holidays. Collections on holidays are **CANCELLED**.